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MYSORE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

Friday, 8th December, 1972/Margasira 17, 1895 S.E.

The House met in the Assembly Chamber, Vidhana Soudha, at One of the Clock.

MADAM SPEAKER (SMT. K. S. NAGARATHNAMMA) in the Chair.

STARRED QUESTIONS

(to which oral Answers were given)

RURAL ELECTRIFICATION PROGRAMME AT SHORAPUR TALUK

26. Sri RAJA PID NAIK (Shorapur).—

Will the Minister for Public Works and Electricity be pleased to state:—

(*a*) whether it has come to the notice of the Government that Rural Electrification Programme in Shorapur taluk, Gulbarga District is not satisfactory as compared to other areas in the State;

(*b*) the number of villages electrified so far in Shorapur taluk?

Sri H. M. CHANNABASAPPA (Minister for Public Works and Electricity).—

(*a*) No.

(*b*) 18 villages have been electrified up to the end of September 1972 in Shorapur taluk.

Sri RAJA PID NAIK.—May I know the names of the villages electrified?

†Sri H. M. CHANNABASAPPA.—We have undertaken 18 villages to be electrified. The names are:

Narasingpet
Satyampet
Kumbarpet
Nandihal
Malla-K
Havinhal
Devarkera
Jogambhavi.

These 8 villages are electrified out of current year's programme.

Wasal
Dandsokapur
Malnur
Aralhalli
Hunsihalli

These are almost ready:

Narayanpur
Mannal
Yalgi Tanda
Yevoor Tenda
Mandoor-B

In respect of these villages, materials are collected and work will be taken up expeditiously.

Sri BAPU GOWDA RAYAPPA.—In Shorapur there are 113 villages. How many years will it take to electrify all these villages and how many villages will be electrified this year?

Sri H. M. CHANNABASAPPA.—It depends on the interest that is evinced by the local people and the local leaders.

Sri RAJA PID NAIK.—What are the criteria for selection of a village for eletrification?

Sri H. M. CHANNABASAPPA.—Already hand bills have been distributed to members and if the hon. member insists I shall let him know. One of the main criteria is that the return on the investment should be 7.5 per cent. The village panchayats should conform to certain procedures prescribed. The main criteria is that the return must be 7.5 per cent over the investment that we make.

Sri B. B. SAYANAK.—The hon. minister said that electrification of a village is solely dependent on the interest evinced by the public. Does it mean that where there is no interest, the Government is not going to electrify that village?

Sri H. M. CHANNABASAPPA.—If people are not interested definitely we will not give electricity.

†Indicates that the remarks or speeches have not been revised y the mem er concerned.